Appl. No. 10/662,218 Amendment and Response to Office Action Reply to Office Action of February 22, 2006



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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is in reply to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed herewith, together with a payment check in the amount of \$1020.00 for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action.

This response is also accompanied by an Information Disclosure Statement.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.